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For: NUCLEIC ACID FRAGMENTS, RECOMBINANT
VECTORS CONTAINING THE SAME AND METHOD
FOR PROMOTING EXPRESSION OF STRUCTURAL
GENES USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

June 28, 2001

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated February 28, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 3, 8, 15, 19 and 20 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid fragment no more than 120 nucleotides in length and comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 or an isolated nucleic acid fragment, excluding the nucleic acid having the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3,